Organ transplantation at emergency

†2090. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering over any scheme to make arrangements for providing human organs for transplantation to the seriously ill patients in case it is required;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is likely to be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Health care schemes

2091. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under the active consideration of the Union Government for the health care schemes in the country;

(b) if so, whether the schemes have already been introduced;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when it is expected to be introduced; and

(d) the details of weaker sections most particularly the minority community, which would be benefited under this scheme, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (d) The Government has launched National Rural Health Mission (NRHM) throughout the country with special focus on 18 high focus States namely the eight EAG States, eight North Eastern States and states of Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh.

The main aim of NRHM is to provide accessible, affordable, accountable, effective and reliable primary health care facilities, especially to the poor and vulnerable sections of the population.

The NRHM envisages improvements in range and quality of hospital care, decentralization of programme to district level to improve intra and inter-sectoral convergence and effective utilization of resources. The NRHM further aims to provide overarching umbrella to the existing National programmes of Health and Family Welfare including RCH-II, Malaria, Blindness, Iodine deficiency, Filaria, Kala Azar, T.B., Leprosy and Integrated disease surveillance. Further, it addresses the issue of health in a sector-wide manner addressing sanitation and hygiene, nutrition and safe drinking water as basic determinants of good health. The initiatives under NRHM are benefiting the weaker sections including the minority community.

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